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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I am a Ph.D. student in Political Science at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. I object to the proposed settlement. Microsoft has become too large to provide any of its services well. Their practice of bundling software products deceptively traps the average consumer into using inferior products. It prevents competitors from entering the market. Reducing barriers to entry is critical to a competitive economy.

I further object to the practice of creating intentional incompatibilities in Microsoft products that prevent them from running on other operating systems. The proposed settlement would not remedy this problem.

As a catch all, I agree with the criticisms leveled at the porposed settlement which are published on-line at http://www.kegel.com/remedy/letter.html

Please reconsider the settlement,

Sincerely,

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